

REMARKS

Claims 2, 7, 8, 54, 55, and 57 have been cancelled. Claims 1, 3, 5, 9, 10, 37 – 39, 50, 56, 58, 59, and 63 have been amended to clarify the subject matter regarded as the invention. Claims 1, 3 – 6, 9 – 53, 56, and 58 – 63 are pending.

The Examiner has indicated that claims 5, 8, 37 – 39, and 55 contain allowable subject matter. Claim 5 has been rewritten to be in independent form. Claims 1, 58, 59, and 63 have been amended in a manner intended to include the limitations of claim 8. Claims 37-39 have been amended to be in independent form. Claim 50 has been amended in a manner intended to include all of the limitations of claim 55. It is therefore believed that claims 1, 5, 37-39, 50, 58, 59, and 63 are allowable.

Claims 3, 4, 6, 9 – 36, and 44 – 49, which depend from claim 1; claims 40 – 43, which depend from claim 39; claims 51-53 and 56, which depend from claim 50; and claims 60-62, which depend from claim 59 are all believed to be allowable for the same reasons as the respective claims from which they depend.

The foregoing amendments are not to be taken as an admission of unpatentability of any of the claims prior to the amendments.

Reconsideration of the application and allowance of all claims are respectfully requested based on the preceding remarks. If at any time the Examiner believes that an interview would be helpful, please contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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